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GREAT are the changes of thirty years. In 1840 Illinois and Missouri were among the smallest in population of all the States of the Union. Illinois had three and Missouri two members of Congress; total five only, as many as the State of New Jersey now has. They are now respectively the fourth and fifth States of the Union in the number of inhabitants, and at the next census although the population for an extra member of Congress has been trebled, they will have their twenty-seven or twenty-eight members of Congress, or as many as the Empire State of New York.

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The mania for suicide which afflicted the city last winter seems to have come upon us again with renewed intensity and virulence. As before, those attacked by this suicidal madness are Germans, and the causes hitherto developed seem entirely insufficient to account for their haste to leave this terrestrial sphere, and venture into that undiscovered country from whose bourn no traveler returns." Without even the pretext of unusual financial trouble, and its consequent uncertainty about the future, without that foreboding gloom which puts friends upon their guard, without anything which might lead their associates to suspect their awful intentions, these self-murderers form their plans coolly, and with the utmost deliberation, carry them out, throwing their relations into the depths of sorrow and despair, and casting a gloom over the community in which they live.

The case which we are called upon to chronicle is the suicide of Christian Schwemke, a German saloon-keeper living at 41 Thirteenth street, 61 years of age, and who is said to have enjoyed the rather remarkable distinction of having sold the first large beer ever vended in Cincinnati. Mr. Schwemke was born in Baruth, in Bavaria, was married at the age 23 years, and came to this country 22 years ago. His occupation since he has been a resident of the city has been principally that which we have mentioned, although of late years he has not found it particularly lucrative. The circumstances of the suicide were as follows:

Yesterday morning about 6 o'clock the old man arose and went into his saloon. Shortly afterward his wife heard the report of a pistol, and upon hurrying to the place which the sound indicated, saw her husband sitting on a chair by one of the tables of the saloon, with his low crowned silk hat jammed down over his head, and his hands hanging helplessly by his side. A closer examination revealed to the horrified women the terrible fact that her husband was dead, with a ghastly and seeping wound through the forehead, with blood and brains oozing therefrom, and trickling down over his face and neck!

## MURDERED BY INCHES.

**The Dreadful Fate of Moses Blakes—Terrible Revelations of Barbarity—Shooting, Torturing, and Beating of a Sailor.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—Yesterday morning in the trial of Zachariah Allen, for murder and for cruel treatment, at sea, of three sailors under his command, was begun in the United States circuit court, before Judge Hoffman, and a jury. The crimes were committed on board the American ship Matterhorn, on the passage from Adwarp to San Francisco. Henry Baumann, the ship's carpenter, testified to the cruel treatment, and murder of a sailor named Moses Blake.

I knew Moses Blake, he joined the Mattock at Cardiff, she sailed from that port on the 5th of March; on the 19th of March she was in the northeast trades, out at sea, far away from land; between 4 and 5 o'clock in the morning of March 19th I was in my bunk, in the after-part of the forward house, on the starboard side; on that morning I heard two pistol shots, and immediately jumped out on deck; I saw a man lying down on the deck and the captain and mate close by, standing; I was about twelve feet from the man; it proved to be Moses Blake; I went to the spot where he lay, and could see that he was bleeding; I did not notice where he was bleeding, from only that he was bleeding freely; the mate there was Mr. Allen; the captain said "the cutlass had become pretty handy since it had been sharpened, and if any man wanted more let him come"; he was lying there about fifteen minutes, and was put in irons; his wrists were fastened together, Mr. Allen placing the irons upon his head; Mr. Allen was brought to the master's cabin (I could not say how), and there was tied up; a tackle was hooked between the irons, and he was hoisted three or four feet clear of the deck.

Moses begged the Captain to let him down, as his wounds smarted; the watch hoisted him up by order of the Captain; his head and wrists were cut; the latter appeared to be cut nearly half through; he was kept triced up about fifteen minutes, when let down he was in a sitting position, and crying; I did not see him standing afterward I saw wounds about his body; while the man Blake was sitting on the deck crying, the mate and Captain kicked him a couple of times; one kicked him on one side and the other on the other side; the mate hit him on the side, back, and on the head; the effect of this kicking did not seize; he was tied up again, the same as before, and kept up ten minutes; he was then lowered down, and I went away about my business; I did not see him again until after his wounds were dressed—about two hours afterward; he came about the cabin with the captain, and the latter ordered him on the top of the poop; he was triced up to the cross-jack yard; he was hanging there swinging with the motion of the ship, and when let down he dropped in a lump upon the deck; he remained there an hour, one of his hands in irons, when he was gripped up again by one hand, and kept there swinging to and fro. About this time we met a ship, and when she came within speaking distance Blake was let down and made to sit on the deck-house while the ship was in sight; after the vessel left he was led up again; he cried, and was let down on the deck at 5 o'clock, and left lying there; every day after that I saw him on the poop deck; he was fastened to a ring-bolt; his arm, four or five inches from his head could not sit up; when he was not fastened to an iron; sometimes he had a chain-stopper or devil's claw

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Two days after the vessel left the captain tried to make Blake sing and dance; the mate asked him if he did not know a new dance, and not answering the captain knocked him down; I saw Blake singing and dancing several times after that; while the chain-stopper was fastened to his legs he was made to scrape spars; I saw fresh marks on his face subsequent to the original beating. After a while Blake jumped overboard, or disappeared from the ship. I saw Blake about five minutes before he disappeared, standing on the port side, close by the poop deck lattice; the mate was near him passing into the cabin; he was going into the cabin when the man started to go up on the poop deck; Blake had been released about ten minutes; I did not see him again, but saw the mate ten minutes after he came out of the cabin and gave the alarm that Blake was overboard; this was about 6 o'clock in the evening; I had a consultation with the mate as to what I should testify; he told me not to tell anything about the man being tied up and put in irons; I never had any difficulty with the mate, one day after the occurrence, two and a half months before we reached Cairo, the mate wanted me to sign a paper which said Blake had disappeared and nobody knew how.

THE change effected in the political sentiment of the country during the past two years finds no parallel in the history of the country. By the ratification of XVth Amendment 800,000 negro voters were added to the Radical party, which, added to the 400,000 majority obtained by that party in the popular vote of 1868, would seem to place the Democratic party in a hopeless minority. That in a single year the Democracy should overcome 1,200,000 majority against them, and stand undisputedly the stronger party, parts of a political change never before equalled. If the people could to-day declare their sentiments through the ballot box, the Radical party would be hurried from power, and the government confined to Democratic hands, by a majority of more than a half a million of votes. Radicalism has been weighed and found wanting, and the people are impatiently waiting to stamp upon it the seal of their condemnation.

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